



Public Notice

APPROVAL OF CLASS 2 DANGEROUS WASTE PERMIT MODIFICATION TO BURLINGTON ENVIRONMENTAL, INC., a WHOLLY OWNED SUBSIDIARY OF PHILIP SERVICES CORPORATION, TACOMA FACILITY (PSC-TACOMA)

BACKGROUND

PSC-Tacoma is a dangerous waste treatment and storage facility located in the industrial port area of Tacoma at 1701 East Alexander Avenue in Pierce County, Washington. The facility's main operations include container and tank storage, waste water treatment, fuel blending and stabilization.

PROPOSAL

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) received from PSC – Tacoma a draft permit modification submittal on May 18, 2006 and a final proposal for a Class 2 permit modification on August 10, 2006. The permit modification proposal is to relocate a previously approved stabilization building approximately 100 feet northwest of the original proposed position to accommodate a planned rail spur. The movement of the building location also requires modifications to the proposed asphalt areas surrounding the building. Also, minor design modifications to the building were proposed with the building to be constructed of tilt up walls with a steel frame instead of concrete blocks with a steel frame. The design modifications do not change the building's secondary containment capacity or affect other provisions for safe waste management.

Because of the potential of encountering lime waste in the construction area, Ecology required PSC-Tacoma to prepare and implement a Health & Safety Plan and an Excavated Materials Management Plan. The lime waste which consists of powdered hydrated limestone free of solvent contamination was used as a fill in the area in the 1960s and 1970s. Previous groundwater sampling indicates the lime waste could be corrosive.

APPROVAL

Ecology has approved this Class 2 permit modification. Permission to move forward with the modification activities is final with this approval, and the changes to the permit are incorporated for the life of the permit.

DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE

To review and/or obtain copies of the supporting documentation for this action please contact Debbie Nelson, Ecology's Public Disclosure Coordinator, at the Southwest regional office of the Department of Ecology located at 300 Desmond Drive, Olympia Washington (360) 407-6365 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. If you have any questions regarding this modification decision or wish to receive documents in an alternate format, please contact Leslie Morris at the Department of Ecology at (360) 407-407-6343 or (711 and (800) 833-6388 (TTY relay service), or email Leslie Morris at lemo461@ecy.wa.gov. This notice is also posted on Ecology's website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/hwtr/foia/index.html>.



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